

Millennium Challenge Corporation

Reducing Poverty Through Growth



COUNTRY : BURKINA FASO

STATUS : ELIGIBLE, FISCAL YEAR 2006

LAST UPDATE: AUGUST 2006

GENERAL INFORMATION

Population	12,821,686*
GNI Per Capita	\$400*
Location	Western Africa, north of Ghana

BISSIRI JOSEPH SIRIMA

National Coordinator of MCA-Burkina

"[The MCA is] a challenge for us and we will do everything to meet it. We will work to ensure that the MCA is a catalyst for the development of our country."

COMPACT PROCESS

DATE

Eligibility Notification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	November 8, 2005
Proposal Receipt		
Opportunity Memo		
Congressional Notification on Formal Negotiations		
Investment Memo		
Board Approval		
Compact Signing		
Entry into Force		
Initial Disbursement		

UPDATE ON PROGRESS

In January 2006, an MCC delegation traveled to Ouagadougou on an initial visit to meet with government officials, civil society, and members of the private sector.

In April 2006, an MCC technical team met with the Government of Burkina Faso's core proposal development team (MCA-Burkina) in Ouagadougou to discuss Compact development and the consultative process. The Government of Burkina Faso has dedicated over \$1.2 million to the MCA process and has hired a full-time staff, including a National Coordinator, an Economist, specialists in Monitoring and Evaluation, Environment, Rural Development and Consultative Process activities, and support staff.

Burkina Faso's consultative process was launched in the first week of May 2006. Throughout May and June, MCA-Burkina held outreach meetings and workshops in each of the country's 13 regions. The outreach meetings drew over 3,100 participants from civil society, the private sector, farming associations, religious groups, and regional authorities to collect input on obstacles to economic growth and possible solutions for poverty reduction. MCA-Burkina has produced a detailed report on its findings from the concerns, ideas, and suggestions raised during the meetings.

In July, an MCC delegation worked with MCA-Burkina in Ouagadougou to assist with the early stages of the proposal development process. MCA-Burkina has spent the last several weeks analyzing the results of the consultative process, coordinating with other donors, and preparing the first proposal draft.

*World Development Indicators, World Bank, 2005